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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner For Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and substantive examination of the abovereferenced patent application, Applicants respectfully request amendment of the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 2 - 8 without prejudice or disclaimer. Moreover, Applicants are canceling the subject claims to facilitate removal of multiple dependencies and revision to U.S. claim style when the English translation of the application is filed. Therefore, cancelation of the claims and later submission of their subject matter in new claims is not related to patentability.

Remarks

Applicants respectfully request that the foregoing amendments be entered prior to substantive examination of the application. These changes are submitted to eliminate the multiple dependent claims in the application.

Respectfully submitted,

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